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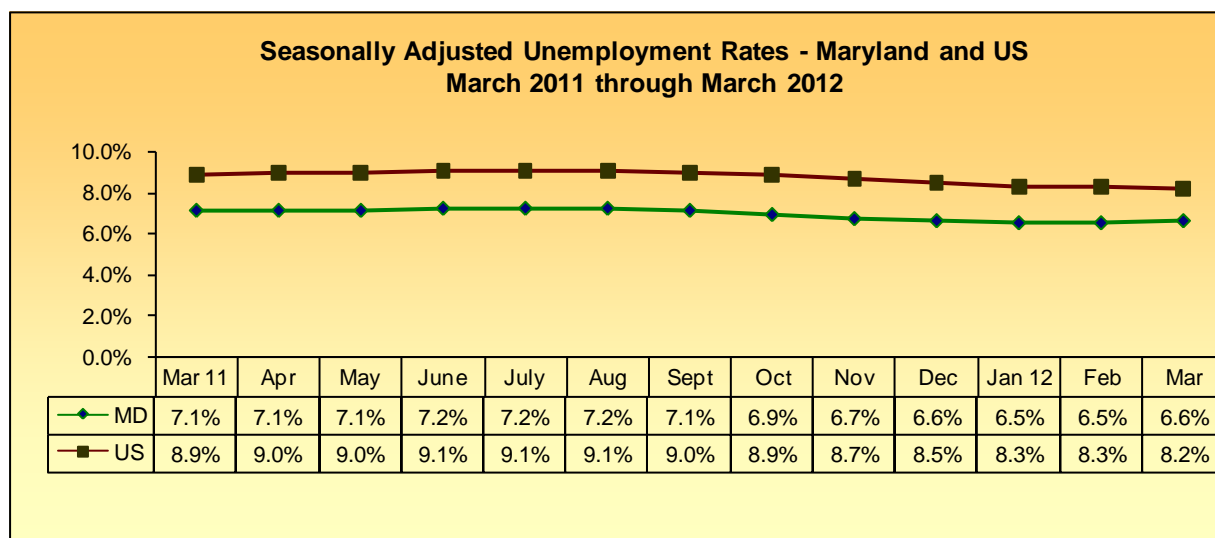
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PRESS RELEASE

MARYLAND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AT 6.6 PERCENT

Maryland adds 1,500 jobs in March; seventh straight month of job growth

Data released today by the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics shows that Maryland added 1,500 jobs in March. March was the seventh straight month of job growth; additionally, February's preliminary gain of 8,000 jobs was revised upward to 9,600 jobs. Although more people entered the workforce in March, Maryland's unemployment rate increased slightly to 6.6 percent as workforce growth outpaced employment gains. Maryland's unemployment rate remains 1.6 percentage points better than the national rate of 8.2 percent.



“March was another strong month in Maryland’s recovery, but we must remain focused to accelerate our job growth and recover the jobs that were lost during the national economic recession,” said Maryland Labor Secretary Alexander M. Sanchez. “Our investments in skills development and education are helping to put more Marylanders back to work, but we need to continue to cultivate our best-in-the-nation workforce.”

March’s growth was focused in the private sector, which rose by 4,200 jobs over-the-month. Maryland added jobs in three major sectors: 2,700 in Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities; 3,400 in Professional and Business Services; and 3,000 in Leisure and Hospitality. Since March 2011, Maryland has added 49,600 jobs, 47,700 of which are in the private sector. Notable increases posted in Professional and Business Services (16,500 jobs); Education, Health Care, and Social Assistance (16,200 jobs); Leisure and Hospitality (8,100 jobs); and Natural Resources, Mining, and Construction (6,400 jobs). Manufacturing (-3,300) and Financial Activities (-800) posted decreases over-the-year.

The Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation protects and empowers Marylanders by safeguarding workers, protecting consumers, providing a safety net and cultivating a thriving workforce that can meet the demands of Maryland’s dynamic economy. For updates and information, follow DLLR on Twitter ([@MD_DLLR](#)) and Facebook ([www.facebook.com/DLLR.Maryland](#)).

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**Civilian Labor Force, Employment, and Unemployment
By Place of Residence
March 2012**

Area	Civilian Labor Force		Employment		Unemployment		Unemployment Rate	
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb
	2012	2012r	2012	2012r	2012	2012r	2012	2012r
Seasonally Adjusted								
Maryland	3,087,851	3,083,746	2,883,925	2,881,887	203,926	201,859	6.6	6.5
United States*	154,707,000	154,871,000	142,034,000	142,065,000	12,673,000	12,806,000	8.2	8.3
Not Seasonally Adjusted								
Maryland	3,081,567	3,067,530	2,873,864	2,848,821	207,703	218,709	6.7	7.1
Baltimore-Towson MSA	1,446,309	1,441,505	1,343,377	1,333,808	102,932	107,697	7.1	7.5
Baltimore City	276,391	275,325	248,824	247,052	27,567	28,273	10.0	10.3
Anne Arundel	298,193	297,022	280,031	278,036	18,162	18,986	6.1	6.4
Baltimore	444,572	443,427	412,981	410,039	31,591	33,388	7.1	7.5
Carroll	94,439	94,386	88,543	87,913	5,896	6,473	6.2	6.9
Harford	137,199	136,922	127,600	126,691	9,599	10,231	7.0	7.5
Howard	168,200	167,183	159,956	158,817	8,244	8,366	4.9	5.0
Queen Anne's	27,314	27,238	25,442	25,260	1,872	1,978	6.9	7.3
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Division, MD	595,117	592,175	556,898	552,197	38,219	39,978	6.4	6.8
Calvert	48,150	47,849	45,403	45,020	2,747	2,829	5.7	5.9
Charles	79,711	79,183	75,036	74,403	4,675	4,780	5.9	6.0
Prince George's	467,256	465,143	436,459	432,774	30,797	32,369	6.6	7.0
Bethesda-Frederick-Rockville Metro Div	656,798	650,715	622,854	615,509	33,944	35,206	5.2	5.4
Frederick	128,499	127,495	120,868	119,443	7,631	8,052	5.9	6.3
Montgomery	528,299	523,220	501,986	496,066	26,313	27,154	5.0	5.2
Cumberland, MD-WV MSA	51,841	52,355	47,774	47,870	4,067	4,485	7.8	8.6
Allegany	37,616	37,988	34,804	34,801	2,812	3,187	7.5	8.4
Hagerstown-Martinsburg, MD-WV MSA	121,314	121,222	111,106	110,242	10,208	10,980	8.4	9.1
Washington	68,590	68,672	62,983	62,285	5,607	6,387	8.2	9.3
Salisbury, MD MSA	64,160	63,568	58,215	57,231	5,945	6,337	9.3	10.0
Somerset	11,040	10,954	9,844	9,677	1,196	1,277	10.8	11.7
Wicomico	53,120	52,614	48,371	47,554	4,749	5,060	8.9	9.6
Balance of State	212,977	212,906	194,735	192,989	18,242	19,917	8.6	9.4
Caroline	16,619	16,641	15,181	15,091	1,438	1,550	8.7	9.3
Cecil	50,712	50,926	46,459	46,157	4,253	4,769	8.4	9.4
Dorchester	16,735	16,919	14,920	14,970	1,815	1,949	10.8	11.5
Garrett	17,185	17,402	15,838	15,864	1,347	1,538	7.8	8.8
Kent	10,928	10,810	10,090	9,884	838	926	7.7	8.6
St. Mary's	56,277	56,048	53,032	52,754	3,245	3,294	5.8	5.9
Talbot	18,729	18,756	17,216	17,146	1,513	1,610	8.1	8.6
Worcester	25,792	25,404	21,999	21,123	3,793	4,281	14.7	16.9
United States*	154,316,000	154,114,000	141,412,000	140,684,000	12,904,000	13,430,000	8.4	8.7

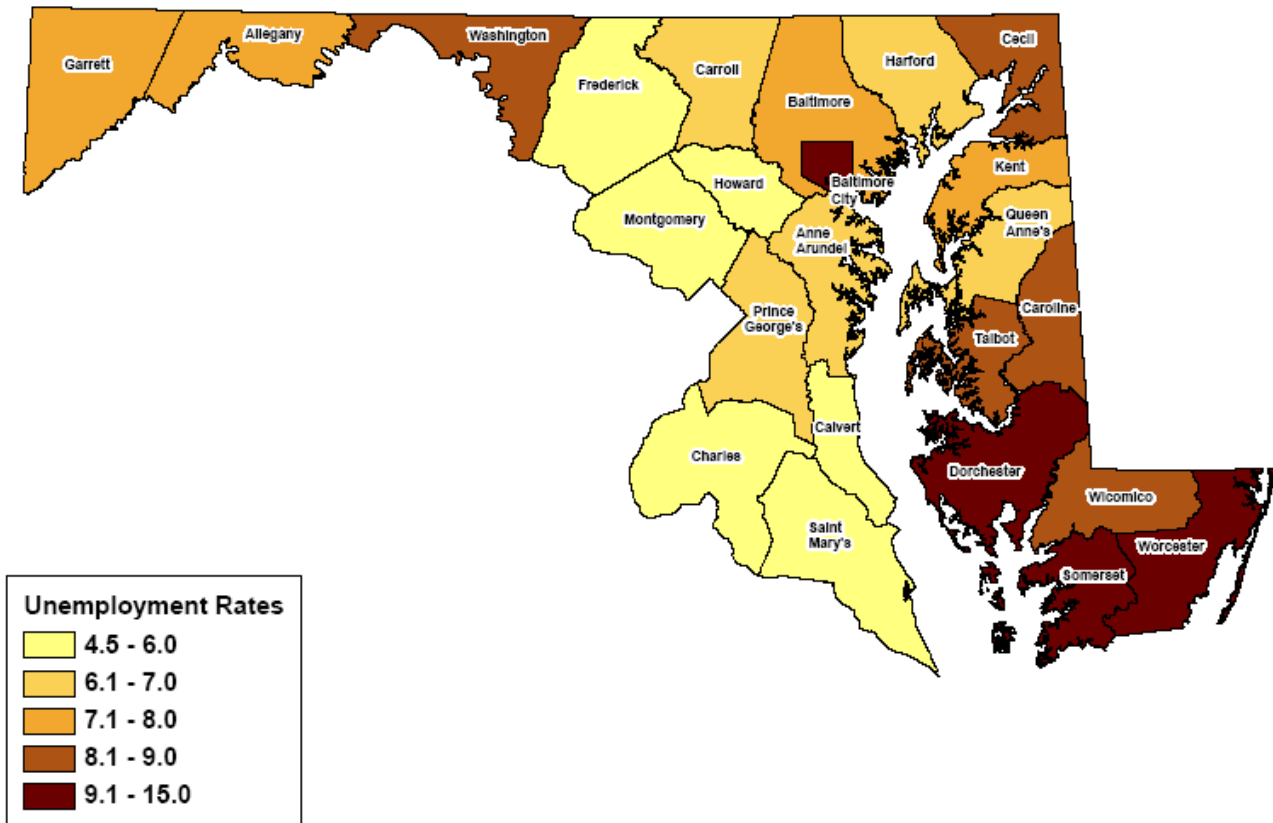
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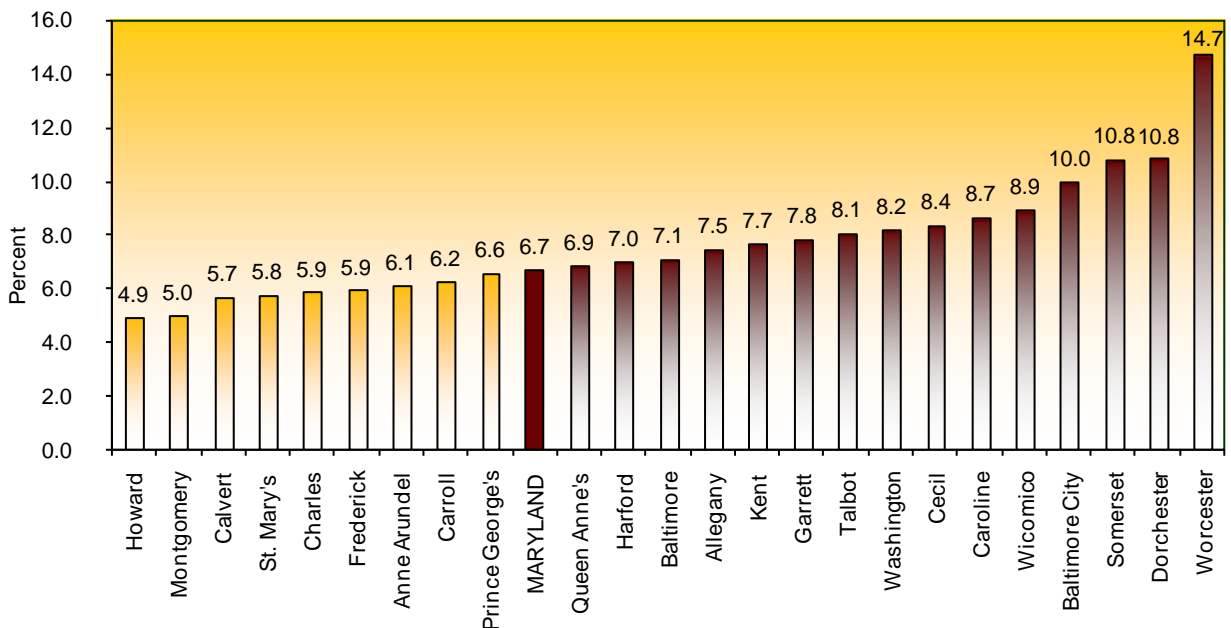
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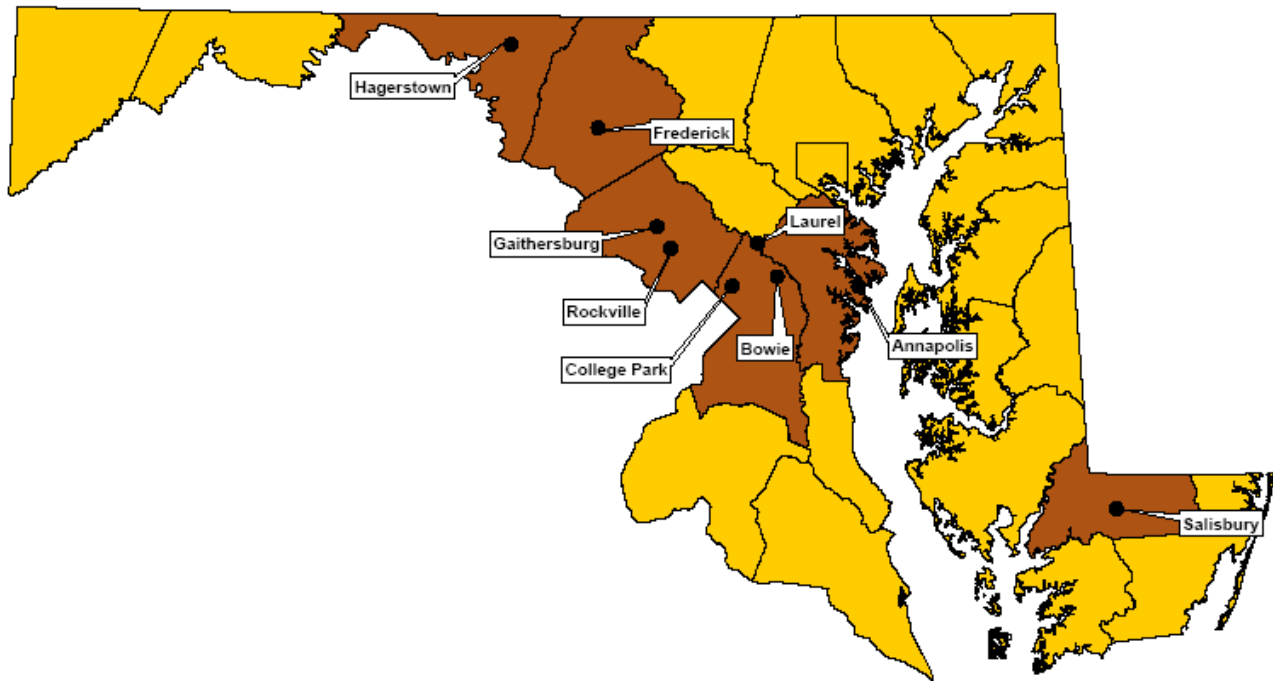
County Unemployment Rates March 2012



Local Unemployment Ranking - March 2012 (not seasonally adjusted)



City Unemployment Rates March 2012



Civilian Labor Force, Employment, and Unemployment for Select Cities By Place of Residence March 2012

Area	Civilian Labor Force		Employment		Unemployment		Unemployment Rate	
	Mar 2012	Feb 2012r	Mar 2012	Feb 2012r	Mar 2012	Feb 2012r	Mar 2012	Feb 2012r
Annapolis	22,470	22,452	21,118	20,967	1,352	1,485	6.0	6.6
Bowie	31,682	31,435	30,036	29,782	1,646	1,653	5.2	5.3
College Park	15,956	15,909	14,812	14,687	1,144	1,222	7.2	7.7
Frederick	35,846	35,528	33,611	33,215	2,235	2,313	6.2	6.5
Gaithersburg	33,752	33,509	32,016	31,638	1,736	1,871	5.1	5.6
Hagerstown	18,983	18,944	17,150	16,960	1,833	1,984	9.7	10.5
Laurel	16,405	16,298	15,447	15,316	958	982	5.8	6.0
Rockville	32,195	31,877	30,627	30,266	1,568	1,611	4.9	5.1
Salisbury	15,717	15,568	14,223	13,983	1,494	1,585	9.5	10.2

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SOURCE: Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, Office of Workforce Information and Performance

Nonagricultural Payroll Employment* By Industry By Place of Employment (in thousands) Seasonally Adjusted March 2012				
	Mar 2012	Feb 2012r	Mar 2011	Percent Change Mar 2011- Mar 2012
MARYLAND				
Total Nonfarm	2,588.2	2,586.7	2,538.6	2.0
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	150.7	151.9	144.3	4.4
Manufacturing	110.5	111.3	113.8	-2.9
Durable Goods	58.4	59.2	60.6	-3.6
Nondurable Goods	52.1	52.1	53.2	-2.1
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	444.1	441.4	442.5	0.4
Wholesale Trade	85.4	85.1	86.0	-0.7
Retail Trade	283.4	281.9	280.3	1.1
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	75.3	74.4	76.2	-1.2
Information	42.4	43.2	41.9	1.2
Financial Activities	142.4	143.0	143.2	-0.6
Finance and Insurance	99.7	100.1	101.5	-1.8
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	42.7	42.9	41.7	2.4
Professional and Business Services	410.5	407.1	394.0	4.2
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	233.1	233.6	227.8	2.3
Management of Companies & Enterprises	22.1	22.2	21.7	1.8
Administrative & Support Services	155.3	151.3	144.5	7.5
Educational & Health Care & Social Assistance	421.5	422.6	405.3	4.0
Educational Services	80.1	80.6	75.5	6.1
Health Care & Social Assistance	341.4	342.0	329.8	3.5
Leisure & Hospitality	241.9	238.9	233.8	3.5
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	35.2	36.1	36.2	-2.8
Accommodation & Food Services	206.7	202.8	197.6	4.6
Other Services	116.8	117.2	114.3	2.2
Government	507.4	510.1	505.5	0.4
Federal Government	146.9	147.0	142.8	2.9
State Government	112.4	114.7	113.2	-0.7
Local Government	248.1	248.4	249.5	-0.6
BALTIMORE-TOWSON, MD MSA				
Total Nonfarm	1,313.9	1,315.1	1,289.5	1.9
BETHESDA-FREDERICK-ROCKVILLE, MD METRO DIVISION				
Total Nonfarm	568.5	565.6	565.3	0.6
MD PORTION HAGERSTOWN-MARTINSBURG, MD-WV MSA				
Total Nonfarm	99.0	98.4	98.9	0.1
SALISBURY, MD MSA				
Total Nonfarm	52.6	52.3	52.4	0.4
BALTIMORE CITY				
Total Nonfarm	369.7	368.7	358.4	3.2
MD PORTION WASHINGTON-ARLINGTON- ALEXANDRIA, DC-VA-MD METRO DIVISION				
Total Nonfarm	382.4	383.7	379.3	0.8

*The count is of jobs, not workers. It includes full and part-time wage earners employed during the pay period including the 12th of the month. r - revised

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Maryland Nonagricultural Payroll Employment*
By Industry By Place of Employment (in thousands)
March 2012

	Mar 2012	Feb 2011r	Mar 2011	Percent Change Mar 2011- Mar 2012
Total Nonfarm	2,561.4	2,537.6	2,514.7	1.9
Total Private	2,044.7	2,023.6	2,000.6	2.2
Goods Producing	254.0	253.0	252.5	0.6
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	144.1	142.9	139.5	3.3
Construction of Buildings	31.1	30.3	29.5	5.4
Specialty Trade Contractors	100.5	99.4	95.0	5.8
Manufacturing	109.9	110.1	113.0	-2.7
Durable Goods	58.4	58.8	60.1	-2.8
Computer & Electronic Product Manufacturing	20.0	20.0	20.6	-2.9
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	7.6	7.6	7.8	-2.6
Non-Durable Goods	51.5	51.3	52.9	-2.6
Service-Providing	2,307.4	2,284.6	2,262.2	2.0
Private Service Providing	1,790.7	1,770.6	1,748.1	2.4
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	436.9	431.7	434.9	0.5
Wholesale Trade	84.4	83.9	85.3	-1.1
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	44.5	45.0	42.7	4.2
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	27.4	27.2	27.7	-1.1
Retail Trade	278.0	274.3	274.1	1.4
Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealers	33.3	33.0	32.7	1.8
Food & Beverage Stores	63.7	63.6	63.9	-0.3
Grocery Stores	55.2	54.9	54.7	0.9
Health & Personal Care Stores	17.4	17.3	17.3	0.6
Clothing & Clothing Accessories Stores	25.5	24.5	25.6	-0.4
General Merchandise Stores	52.7	52.3	51.9	1.5
Department Stores	40.3	40.0	39.4	2.3
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	74.5	73.5	75.5	-1.3
Utilities	10.2	10.2	10.1	1.0
Transportation & Warehousing	64.3	63.3	65.4	-1.7
Truck Transportation	13.1	13.0	13.6	-3.7
Information	42.4	42.8	42.1	0.7
Telecommunications	18.9	18.9	17.6	7.4
Financial Activities	141.5	141.9	142.2	-0.5
Finance and Insurance	99.3	99.6	101.2	-1.9
Credit Intermediation & Related Activities	42.7	42.7	44.9	-4.9
Depository Credit Intermediation	25.7	25.7	26.4	-2.7
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	39.2	39.0	39.1	0.3
Insurance Carriers	24.6	24.5	24.3	1.2
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	42.2	42.3	41.0	2.9

Maryland Nonagricultural Payroll Employment*
By Industry By Place of Employment (in thousands)
March 2012

	Mar 2012	Feb 2011r	Mar 2011	Percent Change Mar 2011- Mar 2012
Professional and Business Services	403.7	398.2	388.7	3.9
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	232.3	233.1	227.9	1.9
Legal Services	18.6	18.6	18.5	0.5
Accounting & Bookkeeping Services	20.0	20.2	19.8	1.0
Architectural, Engineering, & Related Services	42.6	42.1	40.1	6.2
Computer Systems Design & Related Services	66.3	66.5	63.9	3.8
Management & Technical Consulting Services	33.4	33.9	33.7	-0.9
Scientific Research & Development	31.8	31.7	31.4	1.3
Management of Companies & Enterprises	22.1	22.1	21.6	2.3
Administrative & Support Services	149.3	143.0	139.2	7.3
Employment Services	43.7	42.2	37.5	16.5
Services to Buildings & Dwellings	43.6	40.1	43.6	0.0
Educational & Health Care & Social Assistance	423.4	422.4	406.3	4.2
Educational Services	82.5	81.6	76.9	7.3
Health Care & Social Assistance	340.9	340.8	329.4	3.5
Ambulatory Health Care Services	112.3	112.2	110.8	1.4
Offices of Physicians	47.0	46.6	45.7	2.8
Hospitals	106.5	106.2	103.9	2.5
General Medical & Surgical Hospitals	96.8	96.6	95.1	1.8
Nursing & Resident Care Facilities	74.5	75.4	69.1	7.8
Nursing Care Facilities	32.3	32.3	31.9	1.3
Social Assistance	47.6	47.0	45.6	4.4
Leisure & Hospitality	227.0	218.3	220.4	3.0
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	30.3	28.9	31.1	-2.6
Accommodation & Food Services	196.7	189.4	189.3	3.9
Accommodation	21.7	21.0	21.7	0.0
Food Services and Drinking Places	175.0	168.4	167.6	4.4
Other Services	115.8	115.3	113.5	2.0
Personal & Laundry Services	31.7	31.0	29.7	6.7
Government	516.7	514.0	514.1	0.5
Federal Government	146.3	146.6	141.9	3.1
State Government	117.6	116.3	117.7	-0.1
State Government, Education	54.3	53.3	54.4	-0.2
Local Government	252.8	251.1	254.5	-0.7
Local Government, Education	156.8	155.9	163.3	-4.0

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Nonagricultural Payroll Employment*
By Industry By Place of Employment (in thousands)
Baltimore-Towson, MD Metropolitan Statistical Area**
March 2012

Industry	Mar 2012	Feb 2011r	Mar 2011	Percent Change Mar 2011-Mar 2012
Total Nonfarm	1,296.7	1,288.7	1,278.6	1.4
Total Private	1,052.2	1,045.5	1,039.4	1.2
Goods Producing	127.5	126.3	127.5	0.0
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	67.1	65.7	65.4	2.6
Manufacturing	60.4	60.6	62.1	-2.7
Durable Goods	34.2	34.3	34.7	-1.4
Computer & Electronic Product Manufacturing	12.8	12.9	13.0	-1.5
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	4.6	4.6	4.6	0.0
Non-Durable Goods	26.2	26.3	27.4	-4.4
Chemical Manufacturing	6.7	6.7	6.8	-1.5
Service-Providing	1,169.2	1,162.4	1,151.1	1.6
Private Service Providing	924.7	919.2	911.9	1.4
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	219.7	218.5	225.7	-2.7
Wholesale Trade	46.5	47.1	51.3	-9.4
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	24.6	24.6	25.2	-2.4
Merchant Wholesaler, Nondurable Goods	16.8	16.8	17.4	-3.4
Retail Trade	133.1	132.0	131.6	1.1
Food & Beverage Stores	30.9	30.8	30.8	0.3
Health & Personal Care Stores	9.3	9.2	9.0	3.3
General Merchandise Stores	25.1	24.8	24.5	2.4
Department Stores	19.5	19.3	18.7	4.3
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	40.1	39.4	42.8	-6.3
Utilities	5.7	5.7	5.9	-3.4
Transportation & Warehousing	34.4	33.7	36.9	-6.8
Couriers & Messengers	4.4	4.4	4.2	4.8
Information	17.0	17.1	18.2	-6.6
Telecommunications	8.1	8.0	8.1	0.0
Financial Activities	73.0	73.3	73.9	-1.2
Finance and Insurance	52.9	53.3	53.8	-1.7
Credit Intermediation & Related Activities	18.6	18.5	19.5	-4.6
Securities, Commodity Contracts, Investments	10.0	10.1	10.0	0.0
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	23.1	23.0	23.1	0.0
Insurance Carriers	15.1	15.1	14.8	2.0
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	20.1	20.0	20.1	0.0
Professional and Business Services	195.8	193.8	186.7	4.9
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	109.9	109.4	106.8	2.9
Architectural, Engineering, & Related Services	20.1	20.0	19.8	1.5
Computer Systems Design & Related Services	30.8	30.8	29.3	5.1
Scientific Research & Development	12.9	12.9	12.4	4.0
Administrative & Support Services	75.8	74.5	71.1	6.6
Employment Services	25.0	24.1	23.6	5.9
Services to Buildings & Dwellings	19.7	18.1	18.6	5.9
Educational & Health Care & Social Assistance	254.2	254.3	243.4	4.4
Educational Services	61.9	61.6	56.8	9.0
Health Care & Social Assistance	192.3	192.7	186.6	3.1
Ambulatory Health Care Services	57.1	57.4	56.4	1.2
Offices of Physicians	23.4	23.4	22.3	4.9
Hospitals	72.9	72.9	70.0	4.1
Nursing & Resident Care Facilities	36.3	36.5	35.1	3.4
Social Assistance	26.0	25.9	25.1	3.6
Leisure & Hospitality	107.0	104.4	108.8	-1.7
Amusement, Gambling, & Recreation Industries	11.4	10.9	11.5	-0.9
Accommodation & Food Services	94.6	91.8	92.6	2.2
Food Services and Drinking Places	86.4	83.5	84.4	2.4
Other Services	58.0	57.8	55.2	5.1
Government	244.5	243.2	239.2	2.2
Federal Government	52.1	52.0	49.6	5.0
State Government	74.2	73.6	74.1	0.1
Local Government	118.2	117.6	115.5	2.3

**Includes Baltimore City, and the counties of Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard, and Queen Anne's.

Nonagricultural Payroll Employment*
By Industry By Place of Employment (in thousands)
MD Portion Bethesda-Frederick-Rockville, MD Metropolitan Division**
March 2012

Industry	Mar 2012	Feb 2011r	Mar 2011	Percent Change Mar 2011-Mar 2012
Total Nonfarm	564.5	556.8	560.7	0.7
Total Private	456.6	449.1	455.7	0.2
Goods Producing	46.3	46.4	47.4	-2.3
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	30.6	30.6	30.8	-0.6
Specialty Trade Contractors	18.8	18.6	18.5	1.6
Manufacturing	15.7	15.8	16.6	-5.4
Service-Providing	518.2	510.4	513.3	1.0
Private Service Providing	410.3	402.7	408.3	0.5
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	75.4	73.4	74.4	1.3
Wholesale Trade	14.2	14.1	14.1	0.7
Retail Trade	55.9	54.1	54.7	2.2
Food & Beverage Stores	13.8	13.2	13.4	3.0
General Merchandise Stores	9.5	9.5	9.3	2.2
Department Stores	7.5	7.4	7.7	-2.6
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	5.3	5.2	5.6	-5.4
Information	14.7	14.6	15.1	-2.6
Telecommunications	5.8	5.8	5.9	-1.7
Financial Activities	39.5	39.5	39.9	-1.0
Finance and Insurance	28.2	28.2	28.7	-1.7
Credit Intermediation & Related Activities	11.2	11.1	11.8	-5.1
Insurance Carriers	8.1	8.1	8.0	1.3
Professional and Business Services	124.9	121.4	125.4	-0.4
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	77.8	77.8	78.7	-1.1
Computer Systems Design & Related Services	21.1	21.1	21.5	-1.9
Scientific Research & Development	16.1	16.1	16.1	0.0
Administrative & Support Services	38.4	36.7	37.6	2.1
Employment Services	9.7	9.5	9.1	6.6
Services to Buildings & Dwellings	15.3	14.1	15.3	0.0
Educational & Health Care & Social Assistance	79.9	79.5	78.0	2.4
Health Care & Social Assistance	66.6	66.3	65.5	1.7
Ambulatory Health Care Services	28.4	28.3	27.9	1.8
Offices of Physicians	11.5	11.5	11.3	1.8
Hospitals	13.1	13.0	12.9	1.6
Leisure & Hospitality	45.7	44.3	45.2	1.1
Accommodation & Food Services	39.4	38.9	38.0	3.7
Food Services and Drinking Places	35.0	34.4	33.6	4.2
Other Services	30.2	30.0	30.3	-0.3
Government	107.9	107.7	105.0	2.8
Federal Government	51.9	52.3	50.0	3.8

**Includes Frederick and Montgomery Counties, MD

Nonagricultural Payroll Employment*
By Industry By Place of Employment (in thousands)
MD Portion DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division**
March 2012

Industry	Mar 2012	Feb 2011r	Mar 2011	Percent Change Mar 2011-Mar 2012
Total Nonfarm	380.7	377.5	378.1	0.7
Total Private	271.8	269.5	267.7	1.5
Goods Producing	39.6	39.2	39.5	0.3
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	30.6	30.1	30.0	2.0
Specialty Trade Contractors	23.9	23.4	23.3	2.6
Manufacturing	9.0	9.1	9.5	-5.3
Service-Providing	341.1	338.3	338.6	0.7
Private Service Providing	232.2	230.3	228.2	1.8
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	74.2	73.2	74.0	0.3
Wholesale Trade	11.0	11.0	11.5	-4.3
Retail Trade	50.4	49.5	49.0	2.9
Food & Beverage Stores	12.1	12.0	12.1	0.0
General Merchandise Stores	9.8	9.7	9.6	2.1
Department Stores	7.6	7.6	7.4	2.7
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	12.8	12.7	13.5	-5.2
Information	6.9	6.9	5.5	25.5
Telecommunications	3.8	3.8	2.3	65.2
Financial Activities	13.8	13.9	14.0	-1.4
Finance and Insurance	7.3	7.3	7.6	-3.9
Professional and Business Services	46.6	46.7	47.1	-1.1
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	25.4	25.5	25.5	-0.4
Administrative & Support Services	20.4	19.7	20.0	2.0
Educational & Health Care & Social Assistance	39.5	39.5	38.4	2.9
Health Care & Social Assistance	35.6	35.4	34.8	2.3
Ambulatory Health Care Services	13.8	13.8	13.5	2.2
Hospitals	7.9	7.9	7.8	1.3
Leisure & Hospitality	36.4	35.4	34.4	5.8
Accommodation & Food Services	31.9	31.2	30.8	3.6
Other Services	14.8	14.7	14.8	0.0
Government	108.9	108.0	110.4	-1.4
Federal Government	29.4	29.4	29.8	-1.3

**Includes Calvert, Charles and Prince George's Counties, MD

Nonagricultural Payroll Employment*
By Industry By Place of Employment (in thousands)
MD Portion Hagerstown-Martinsburg, MD-WV MSA**
March 2012

Industry	Mar 2012	Feb 2011r	Mar 2011	Percent Change Mar 2011-Mar 2012
Total Nonfarm	98.5	97.4	97.8	0.7
Total Private	80.6	79.7	78.5	2.7
Goods Producing	11.6	11.6	11.6	0.0
Natural Resources & Construction	3.8	3.8	3.7	2.7
Manufacturing	7.8	7.8	7.9	-1.3
Service-Providing	86.9	85.8	86.2	0.8
Private Service Providing	69.0	68.1	66.9	3.1
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	23.0	22.7	21.8	5.5
Retail Trade	15.6	15.4	14.6	6.8
Information	2.2	2.3	2.3	-4.3
Financial Activities	7.8	7.7	7.6	2.6
Professional and Business Services	8.0	7.8	7.8	2.6
Administrative & Support Services	4.6	4.3	4.1	12.2
Educational & Health Care & Social Assistance	15.2	15.1	14.8	2.7
Leisure & Hospitality	9.2	8.9	9.0	2.2
Other Services	3.6	3.6	3.6	0.0
Government	17.9	17.7	19.3	-7.3

**Includes Washington County, MD

Nonagricultural Payroll Employment*
By Industry By Place of Employment (in thousands)
Baltimore City***
March 2012

Industry	Mar 2012	Feb 2011r	Mar 2011	Percent Change Mar 2011-Mar 2012
Total Nonfarm	367.3	363.7	358.3	2.5
Total Private	281.7	278.9	274.1	2.8
Goods Producing	21.5	21.2	22.3	-3.6
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	9.1	8.9	9.2	-1.1
Manufacturing	12.4	12.3	13.1	-5.3
Service-Providing	345.8	342.5	336.0	2.9
Private Service Providing	260.2	257.7	251.8	3.3
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	38.6	38.4	39.4	-2.0
Wholesale Trade	8.2	8.1	8.5	-3.5
Retail Trade	15.9	16.0	16.1	-1.2
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	14.5	14.3	14.8	-2.0
Information	4.0	4.0	4.0	0.0
Financial Activities	17.7	17.7	18.2	-2.7
Finance and Insurance	13.3	13.4	13.7	-2.9
Credit Intermediation & Related Activities	4.4	4.4	4.6	-4.3
Professional and Business Services	41.0	40.2	38.4	6.8
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	18.6	18.6	18.7	-0.5
Administrative & Support Services	19.9	19.1	18.8	5.9
Educational & Health Care & Social Assistance	118.9	118.4	110.8	7.3
Educational Services	43.2	42.6	37.4	15.5
Health Care & Social Assistance	75.7	75.8	73.4	3.1
Hospitals	46.8	46.7	45.0	4.0
Leisure & Hospitality	23.3	22.5	24.3	-4.1
Other Services	16.7	16.5	16.7	0.0
Government	85.6	84.8	84.2	1.7
Federal Government	10.2	10.2	10.3	-1.0
State Government	45.6	45.2	45.5	0.2
Local Government	29.8	29.4	28.4	4.9

Nonagricultural Payroll Employment*
By Industry By Place of Employment (in thousands)
Salisbury, MD Metropolitan Statistical Area**
March 2012

Industry	Mar 2012	Feb 2011r	Mar 2011	Percent Change Mar 2011-Mar 2012
Total Nonfarm	53.2	52.1	52.3	1.7
Total Private	40.9	39.9	40.1	2.0
Goods Producing	6.1	6.0	6.4	-4.7
Service-Providing	47.1	46.1	45.9	2.6
Private Service Providing	34.8	33.9	33.7	3.3
Government	12.3	12.2	12.2	0.8

**Includes Somerset and Wicomico Counties

*The count is of jobs, not workers. It includes full and part-time wage earners employed during the pay period including the 12th of the month.

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***Baltimore City estimates also represent a share of the Balto.-Towson, MSA estimates & are inclusive with those estimates.

NOTE: Data are not seasonally adjusted. Figures may not add to totals due to rounding, estimating, & exclusion of some NAICS.

BUSINESS NEWS

Target store opens at Village South in Gambrills, one of several planned openings this spring.

The 1.2 million square-foot mixed use project located at Waugh Chapel is also preparing to open Dick's Sporting Goods, PETCO, Panera Bread, and Old Navy this spring. A Wegman's store is slated to open there in October. Village South has been cited as the largest retail project currently under construction in the country. The project will feature both retail and Class A office space. Additionally, a 298-unit four-story apartment complex, built by Bozzuto Group, is under development at Waugh Chapel.

Big Lots, Inc. opens two stores in Anne Arundel.

The Ohio-based company, the nation's largest close-out retailer, recently opened stores in Middle River and Hanover. Big Lots sells discounted brand-name merchandise including housewares, toys, and seasonal items.

AiNet plans to open region's largest stand-alone data center in Glen Burnie this summer.

The Beltsville IT company expects to open the CyberNetworkAccessPoint Data Center in July. Currently the company employs 30 workers. AiNet chose the Glen Burnie site because of its location between Baltimore and Washington, and its proximity to Fort George G. Meade, home to the National Security Agency, the Defense Information Systems Agency, and the U.S. Cyber Command headquarters. The company's current client base is split between commercial and government (primarily contractor) business.

Green House Residences senior housing opens in Baltimore City.

A new senior long-term care and skilled nursing facility opened in April on the site of the old Memorial Stadium. The Green House model seeks to provide a non-institutional, more open and comfortable residential setting than traditional senior care. The residence has 48 living units and will employ 55 fulltime staff.

Nisbets selects Harford County as location for its North American headquarters.

The British catering supplies company has leased space at the Riverside Distribution Center in Belcamp and expects to begin operations during the second quarter this year. Nisbets offers more than 18,000 products for caterers, ranging from napkins to industrial kitchens.

Aumar Village shopping center in Fallston under development.

The long-planned Harford County village-type retail center will feature a CVS Pharmacy, APG Federal Credit Union, Texas Roadhouse restaurant, and McDonald's, among other businesses, when completed. The center will incorporate aesthetically-pleasing and environmentally-friendly features as part of its plan.

Peebles department store opens in Ocean City.

Gold Coast Mall is location to the chain's newest area store, opened in April, which specializes in women's and junior's clothing, accessories, and cosmetics, along with men's and children's apparel. The retailer sells a mix of fashion brands and designer items.

Evolution Craft Brewing Company set to open new microbrewery and restaurant in Salisbury.

The Wicomico County microbrewer is moving from its former location in Delmar to a new expanded facility in Salisbury that will more than double its craft beer brewing capacity and allow it to expand its market in the region. The company will also open a new tasting room and Public House Restaurant on the premises.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Nonagricultural payroll employment Employment data referring to persons on establishment payrolls who receive pay for any part of the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Persons are counted at their place of work rather than at their place of residence; those appearing on more than one payroll are counted on each payroll. Establishments are classified in an industry on the basis of their principal product or activity in accordance with the most recent *North American Industry Classification System Manual*.

Civilian labor force All persons 16 years and over in the civilian noninstitutional population classified as either employed or unemployed.

Employed persons All persons who, during the reference week (the week including the 12th day of the month), (a) did any work as paid employees, worked in their own business or profession or on their own farm, or worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in an enterprise operated by a member of their family, or (b) were not working but who had jobs from which they were temporarily absent because of vacation, illness, bad weather, childcare problems, maternity or paternity leave, labor-management dispute job training, or other family or personal reasons, whether or not they were paid for the time off or were seeking other jobs. Each employed person is counted only once, even if he or she holds more than one job.

Unemployed persons All persons who had no employment during the reference week, were available for work, except for temporary illness, and had made specific efforts to find employment some time during the 4-week period ending with the reference week. Persons who were waiting to be recalled to a job from which they had been laid off need not have been looking for work to be classified as unemployed.

Unemployment rate The ratio of unemployed to the civilian labor force expressed as a percent.

Seasonal adjustment A statistical technique that eliminates the influences of weather, holidays, the opening and closing of schools, and other recurring seasonal events from economic time series. This permits easier observation and analysis of cyclical, trend, and other nonseasonal movements in the data.

Consumer Price Index (CPI) An indicator representing a measure of the average change over time in the prices paid by urban consumers for a market basket of consumer goods and services.

Initial claims Any notice of unemployment filed (1) to request a determination of entitlement to and eligibility for compensation or (2) to begin a second or subsequent period of eligibility within a benefit year or period of eligibility.

Continued weeks claimed Number of weeks of benefits claimed, including weeks for which a waiting period or fixed disqualification period is being served.

Weeks compensated represent the number of weeks claimed for which benefits are paid.

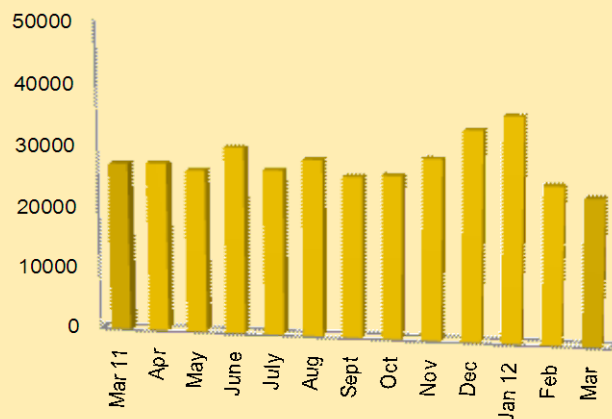
Exhaustions Number of claimants drawing the final payment of their original entitlement for a given program.

For additional labor market information definitions, go to www.dllr.state.md.us/lmi/glossary.shtml

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INDICATORS March 2012

Initial Claims	23,625
First Payments	10,044
Weeks Claimed	258,614
Weeks Compensated	208,340
Average Weekly Benefit Amount	\$325.70
Benefits Paid	\$65,246,830
Final Payments	5,007
UI Trust Fund Balance -- Mar 30, 2012	\$308,918,033.24

Initial Claims for Unemployment Benefits



MARKET INDICATORS March 2012

Maryland Unemployment Rate

	Seasonally Adjusted	Not Seasonally Adjusted
Mar 2012	6.6%	6.7%
Feb 2012	6.5%	7.1%
Mar 2011	7.1%	7.1%

US Unemployment Rate

	Seasonally Adjusted	Not Seasonally Adjusted
Mar 2012	8.2%	8.4%
Feb 2012	8.3%	8.7%
Mar 2011	8.9%	9.2%

MD Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment (in thousands)

	Seasonally Adjusted	Not Seasonally Adjusted
Mar 2012	2,588.2	2,561.4
Feb 2012	2,586.7	2,537.6
Mar 2011	2,538.6	2,514.7
OTM Change	0.3%	0.8%
OTY Change	1.9%	1.9%

Consumer Price Index (CPI) Annual Change All Urban Consumers

	Mar 2011 - Mar 2012
US	2.7%
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV	2.8%

Data for Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA is published every other month